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Dear Jerry:

Your letter was waiting here when we returned from our vacation.

I am afraid that NPG is not exactly in ample supply. I could let you have, say, 50 mg. for research purposes to find out whether it would be worth the trouble of making more, but it is too scarce to be recommended for course use. One could set up a demonstration exp't with no more than 5-10 mg., but if the point is mainly to exhibit a chromogenic substrate why not use phenolphthalein phosphate, which is commercially available for phosphatase assay.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg